

# PROTECTIVE LEAGUE HAS DISBANDED

## Action Was Decided Upon at Annual Meeting.

### RESULT OF YEAR'S WORK IS TOLD

#### Report of President and Other Officers—Anti-Saloon League May Continue Work.

THE first and the final meeting of the Honolulu Protective League was held yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association. After a year of hard work, which was productive of much good, the society decided yesterday to disband and turn over its work to the Anti-Saloon League, feeling that the object for which the organization had been formed was almost accomplished.

There were present when the meeting was called to order yesterday afternoon Rev. Messrs. Pearson, Muckley, Westervelt, Wood, Hartley, Soles, Dr. Burgess, Secretary Brown of the Y. M. C. A. and Messrs. Theo. Richards, Leadingham, Geo. D. McClellan, Gulick and D. H. Case.

SECRETARY REPORTS PROGRESS. Following the reading of the minutes, Secretary Case presented his report of the year's work, which was approved. It was as follows:

To the Members of the Honolulu Protective League: Gentlemen:—The by-laws of the league provide that at the annual meeting, the secretary of the league shall give an abstract report of the work undertaken and accomplished by the league during the year just passed. For two reasons I propose to violate the duties of the office in this respect. First, a personal reason, in that my time has been so fully occupied that I could not stop to prepare a report for an organization that seemed to be peacefully at rest; and second, it seems to me that, meeting here as we have, late in the afternoon, with but a limited amount of time before us to transact business, the members would hardly care to listen to any lengthy dry report from me.

The league, as I understand it, grew out of a committee appointed by the ministers of the city to investigate conditions at Iwilei; this committee met on the 22nd of October of last year, at which time the Iwilei question was quite fully discussed, and an adjournment had to meet on the following Monday, October 29th. At this meeting the suggestion was made that a club or league be organized on a broad basis, capable of taking up and properly dealing with the Iwilei issue, and upon vote, it was decided to form a league. A committee was thereupon appointed to draw up the necessary plans for such an organization and present same at a future meeting; this committee being instructed to make a list of representative men to be invited at such meeting. On November 11th following, this committee reported its plan for a league, the same was discussed and accepted, and invitations extended to some forty or fifty gentlemen of the city to meet on November 19th to consider the proposition of forming the Protective League. At this meeting, held November 19th, some fifty gentlemen were present, and after considerable discussion had, the constitution and by-laws of the Honolulu Protective League were voted upon and accepted.

Since its organization the directors of the league have held seven or eight meetings, the league itself having held five. Important questions regarding Iwilei, the liquor traffic, more particularly the Dispensary measure that was before the last legislature, the care and protection of homeless and neglected children, assisting women who desired to lead better lives, and other minor matters have received careful, thoughtful and practical consideration. It is hardly necessary for the secretary to take these up one by one and tell you what has been accomplished in each particular case. You are all aware of what has been done in each case.

For some months past the league has held no meetings, nor have the directors met, there apparently being no necessity for such meetings. As to what shall be the future of the organization, if it is to have a future, rests with the members today.

The report of the treasurer, Dr. Bur-

gess, showed a cash balance still in his hands of about \$150.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION. Next followed the report of the committee upon legislation of which Rev. Mr. Westervelt was the chairman. It was as follows:

To the Protective League of Honolulu: The committee on legislation respectfully reports as follows: Soon after the league was formed the legislature of the Territory of Hawaii began its sessions. At first there was sharp oversight of proposed bills as introduced by various members into the two houses of the legislature. Some influence was exerted against such bills as the proposal to license gambling dens, statistics concerning sales of intoxicating liquors were collected for use in the legislature. The chairman of this committee was at the same time president of the Ministerial Union, therefore the work of that body and the work of this committee, along legislative lines, were practically the same, and this report must include the two lines of labor. Consultation with Mr. Baird, United States District Attorney, resulted in the preparation of two bills, one for the suppression of vice and the other raising the age of consent, which, in this Territory, is placed at the disgracefully low age of fourteen.

Both of these bills were introduced into the House of Representatives by John Emmelhuth, and referred to the committee of which a Mr. Beckley was chairman, and there shelved. Two other bills were prepared, in consultation with Messrs. Andrew and McClellan, chairman of the Legal and Investigation Committee, for the protection of children. These bills allowed to the Protective League, or any similar body, some of the powers granted to Societies for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. These bills were based upon the New York law, providing for such societies, and were almost entirely made up of extracts from the tried and proved laws of that State. These bills were placed in the hands of Mr. Beckley, who considered them very favorably, but lost them, and afterwards allowed them to be delayed until it was too late to hope for a successful passage.

In addition to this, in connection with the Anti-Saloon League, the proposed Dispensary Bill was fully examined and changes outlined, which it is hoped may be beneficial in securing temperance action in the next legislature.

Yours in the work, CHAS. M. WESTERVELT, Chairman, Com. of Legislation.

INVESTIGATIONS FOR THE YEAR.

Mr. McClellan of the committee on investigations then made an oral report of the work of the committee during the year, and its results. He referred to the case of Ah Ho, the little Chinese girl on whose account Mrs. Mon War had been arrested and prosecuted, but because of technicalities she had failed of conviction. He thought it a question as to whether the league should continue after the case had fallen through, for the committee felt that if it wasn't pushed the Chinese and Japanese might be led to think that the league was unable to do the work it had undertaken. He also told of the case of a child on Vineyard street, who had been cruelly treated by its parents, but when the committee threatened to take legal steps against the offenders the parents had agreed to desist. A similar instance was cited in the case of a child on Punchbowl, but a visit to the home of the parents had the desired effect. The committee investigated the Winslow case also, but as the facts later demonstrated there was nothing that would warrant the league in acting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The following report of the president was read:

It is well that our by-laws do not dictate the length of the annual address required by the retiring president, and therefore that the utmost of freedom is allowed to him as to these points. Upon the present occasion it is deemed advisable, at the close of the first year of our existence, to make a brief resume of our history.

First, Our Birth:—Our birth was due to the Ministerial Association of this city. The said Association is an active, live, wide-awake body. It is made up of men whose lives have been set apart and ordained to the uplifting of humanity. It is keenly observant of all the forces that tend to undo the work they have directly in hand. It becomes, therefore, legitimately within their province to take up and consider all evils that exist in the community, together with ways and means for putting them down. The shame of Iwilei was duly considered and acted upon long before the arrival of the Misses Ackerman and Murett, who were effective service in the destruction. Committees of investigation had visited the place, studied the system that prevailed, and finally recommended the formation of a society of some kind that would take up this and all other kindred subjects involving the moral welfare of our city and islands.

In obedience to this recommendation the Protective League of Honolulu was organized, with a membership of about 60. Incidentally, it may be mentioned that this same Ministerial Association most heartily supported Mr. Murphy in his temperance work, out of which came the Gospel Temperance League of this city, and also it was responsible for the coming of Dr. Chapman, who established the Anti-Saloon League in our midst, so that directly and indirectly, the Ministerial Association becomes responsible for the existence of all three of these leagues. Thus it will be seen that the ministers of our city, although few in number, have become an important factor in matters outside of the pulpit, wherever the moral welfare of the community is touched. They are a real live power and force, and must be so recognized.

Second, Our Welcome:—Sometimes a birth proves welcome, and sometimes it is unwelcome. In this case, when the announcement of our object was made in Article 2 of our Constitution, it met with very general approval. Both English and Japanese papers of the day expressed encouragement of the idea, and in the midst of the already many organizations existing in our city, whether this might not add greatly to the overburdened conditions that seemed to prevail. It was prophetic in tone, foreseeing that we would march up hill only to march down again. The said Article 2 is as follows:

"Object:—To secure the enactment and enforcement of laws for the moral welfare of Honolulu, for the protection of children and the promotion of public decency, and also to exert moral pressure on public affairs when necessary."

This object seemed to appeal to every-

# STRONG SUPPORT FOR CLAIMS OF PRINCESS E. A. DEFRIES

Nov. 28, 1901. Editor Advertiser: Defries has right to all title. We the undersigned ask for space in your valuable column, in favor of our great and high chiefess Her Royal Highness Princess Emma Alexandra Defries being the right lineage to those tabu chiefesses Kalanikaulikeokalaniakua (w) and to Her daughter Kilioulanulua (w) through the lineal line of Queen Keopulani wife of Kamehameha I to our knowledge her claim is perfect and correct. A disgusting lot of money and title is being offered to the public, and it becomes their duty to step in and out for using fraudulent names, attached to their genealogy in the evening bulletin Nov. 26, 1901, five of

one. And we could naturally have expected real support, if we might judge from the expressions that came from here and there. But there was failure to respond on the part of the general community, to the circulars sent out, giving opportunity to join the new league. The membership has therefore been exceedingly limited, and the attendance at meetings has been small.

We have had the able support of the entire ministry of the city. They (the ministers) have been our backbone and we have obtained the rescue of our strength. We could not do without them. But, while all of this is true, a more general support is needed, in addition to all the help they can give. And unless we may have it, and, too, a support to the rescue of our strength, our organization cannot hope to live long.

Third, Our Work:—Have we in any degree carried out the lines indicated in our expressed object? In reply, we will take up the said object, clause by clause.

(A) Enactment of Laws:—We proposed and presented bills for the consideration and action of the legislature, which body failed to act. The chairman of our committee in this department of our work has already given you his report, hence there is not need to more than refer to it.

(B) Enforcement of Laws:—Has also been attempted, to the extent of requiring four suits at law finally to secure the rescinding of the statutes against the cruelty of people who had charge of a little Chinese girl by the name of Ah Ho.

(C) Protection of Children:—The girl named above was rescued from cruelty and "slavery" by Mr. Andrew, a member of our committee, and now we secure her permanent support at Kawaiahae Seminary, from a benevolently disposed lady. Nine other children of incompetent and prostitute parents were given by the law guardianship of Mr. Andrew, a member of our investigating committee, and said children are now placed in the Industrial Home, or Orphanage, in Kona, Hawaii.

(D) Promotion of Public Decency:—The Iwilei matter has, with attention, and we have attempted the rescue of a number of girls from vice. Where they have needed physical attention we have taken them to the hospital.

(E) To Exert Moral Pressure on Public Affairs:—This has been done in the position we took on the Dispensary Act, and in our petition presented to the legislature on the matter. We have also attempted to influence public sentiment by contributions to the public press of the city, relative to this measure. We have attempted to help in the correction of apparent injustice to the Japanese, appearing before Governor Doie and presenting to him through our legal aid committee all of the aspects of the case as we understood it, and endeavoring to enlist his right to interfere in the execution of sentences. We have listened to teachers and parents as to difficulties arising on account of truant girls, and girls inclined to go wrong, with a growing conviction that the sooner the government is able to establish a Home of Correction or Reform for Girls, the better it will be for the general welfare of our community. At present a place is provided only for bad boys.

Our paid agent, the Rev. Ernest H. Shanks, did, during the last month of his service, conduct in addition to many matters enlisting his attention here, an extended correspondence in nineteen different directions seeking information from societies elsewhere, with objects similar to our own, inquiring as to ways and methods for correction of evils, etc., etc.

Our donations received have been \$311.00 Our expenditures amounted to..... \$38.95

Leaving balance in hand ..... \$152.05 There have been many committee meetings in addition to those of the directors, and the result has been that, in view of the fact that there have been born two other leagues since we were organized, who have similar objects to ours to a certain extent, and if it is correct that the government has in contemplation the establishment of a Home for Girls of reform character, it may be deemed best before proceeding to the election of directors, and another organization, to consider whether we would not better join forces with another organization, turning over what funds we may have to their assistance.

In closing permit me to thank the directors and officers and members of the league for all of the courtesies they have extended to me personally, as also for the interest they have manifested in the work of the organization.

Yours truly, WILLIAM A. BOWEN, Retiring President of the Protective League of Honolulu.

MOVE TO DISBANDED.

Following the report of the president Dr. Burgess introduced a motion that the Protective League disband and turn over its effects to the Anti-Saloon League.

Mr. Gulick opposed the motion on the ground that the league had accomplished much work during the past year, and there was no reason why it should not be similarly successful if continued.

Mr. Richards favored the proposition to disband. He said that there appeared to be some disposition to credit the Protective League with having killed Iwilei, but as a matter of fact he didn't consider the league to be entitled to much of the credit, but that it was due to Uncle Sam and the Edmunds Act. To proceed with the league at present he thought meant more funds, and it

those chiefs have seen our superior and denies of having anything to do with it, oh for shame to use names to suit themselves. Jealousy leads to destruction.

Truly yours, KEKAUHIKO (K). WAHAKANE (K). KALAWAIAOPUNA (K). KAAIMALANI (K). LUAIHUAU (K). KAIWIHOLO (K). KAHAI (K). KUWAHINE (K). KAHAMAAIOKEA (K). NAHEANUI (K). KAAKAILANI (K). KUKAILIMOKU (K). KUIHEA (K). KAMAHA (K). KAUWAUOPIO (K). KAWAILAHAELEOKALANI (K).

was difficult to raise money for that purpose now. He favored the motion to disband and did not believe there was at present any great need for action relating to children, and an attempt should be made to prevail upon the Anti-Saloon League to continue where they had left off.

Mr. McClellan suggested that there were people who would give funds to the Protective League, who yet would be unwilling to give money to the Anti-Saloon League, even though it should attempt to carry on the same work.

Rev. Mr. Hartley stated that while he had no authority to be present in behalf of the Anti-Saloon League, he was glad to be present in his personal capacity. He said he had known of Anti-Saloon leagues taking up just such work as was done by the Protective League but that such work had generally been carried on by law and order societies.

Rev. Mr. Pearson felt considerable reluctance in voting in favor of the motion, and said that the influence of the league throughout the city had always been for good, and there were interests that some such organization should continue to look after. He did not see how its work could be taken up by the Anti-Saloon League and if the Protective League disbanded he favored giving the work to the Associated Charities rather than to the Anti-Saloon League.

Mr. Leadingham believed that before any action was taken upon the motion the members of the league should know what the prospects for the continuation of the work by another organization were. If there was any doubt of the Anti-Saloon League being unable to do the work, it would be very unfortunate to disband at this time. Personally he believed in having a few organizations of this kind as possible, as by combining better results might be obtained. He thought, however, great care should be exercised in combining with any other organization.

Mr. Richards suggested that if this body turn over its work and whatever money it had, an express provision should be made that some standing committee of such other body be created to occupy the place as far as was possible of the organization which had given it such power, that such committee then continue to serve in the same capacity as a similar committee of the Protective League had been serving.

Mr. Richards further stated that the Anti-Saloon League was here to stay, that it had a man giving his entire attention to the work and that by turning over the work of the Protective League, it would be to the mutual advantage of both organizations.

Rev. Mr. Hartley thereupon asked what the objects of the association were and what the Anti-Saloon League would have to do?

Rev. Mr. Westervelt replied that the first object of the league had been to save fallen women, but that this work was now being accomplished by the Rescue Home of the Salvation Army. The second object, the protection and

care of neglected and ill-treated children would soon be taken over by the government, when its home for girls was established, and the third object, the saving of slave women, seemed to be about the only one not provided for. Dr. Burgess then withdrew his original motion and introduced the following: "Moved that the president be empowered to request the Anti-Saloon League to take over the effects of the Protective League of Honolulu and request the formation of a standing committee to carry on the work. In case they accepted the work and did appoint such a committee that this league be considered disbanded, and in case they declined the work to turn it over to such organization as might be willing to accept it, and if accepted, the Protective League to be considered as disbanded."

This motion was adopted by a vote of eight for, and four against, and the meeting adjourned sine die.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

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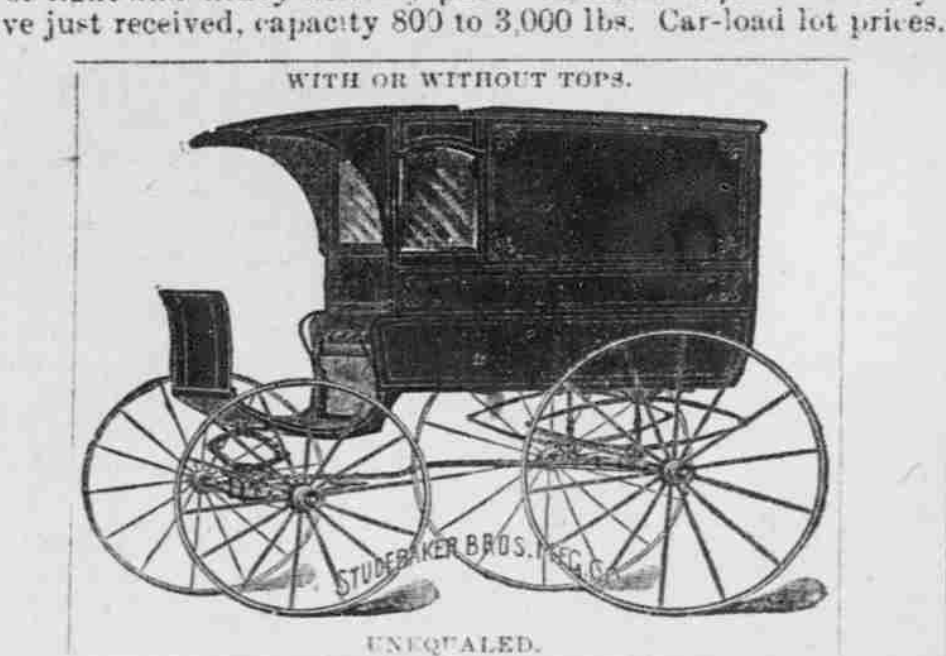
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